# ALIEN INVASION PART FOUR

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MAJOR COWLEY births his boat **HIGHLAND FLING** on the west side of the lock where a large crowd is enjoying the Highland Games .

IRIS WILDTHYME Well I could do with cheering up after finding that dead body this morning.

SAM PARKHILL Let's enjoy some traditional Highland entertainment .

MAJOR COWLEY clambers out of the HIGHLAND FLING with IRIS and SAM leaving WILLY [GREEN DUNGAREES AND MULTI-COLOURED TANK TOP] to turn off the engines and tie her to the riverside .

IRIS, SAM and the MAJOR walk up the grass towards bails of hay marking the perimeter of the HIGHLAND GAMES .

SAM PARKHILL I'll make myself known to the highland committee ,with vegetable soup , while you have a scout round.

They walk through a waist high picket fence and past the sports arena, with teams throwing bales of hay over a net and a short race track with men practicing the caber and then over to a refreshments kiosk.

IRIS WILDTHYME What's on the menu

JOCK Traditional highland hot dogs and quacker oats, served with haggis, though you'll have to wait, as there trying to catch some in top field .

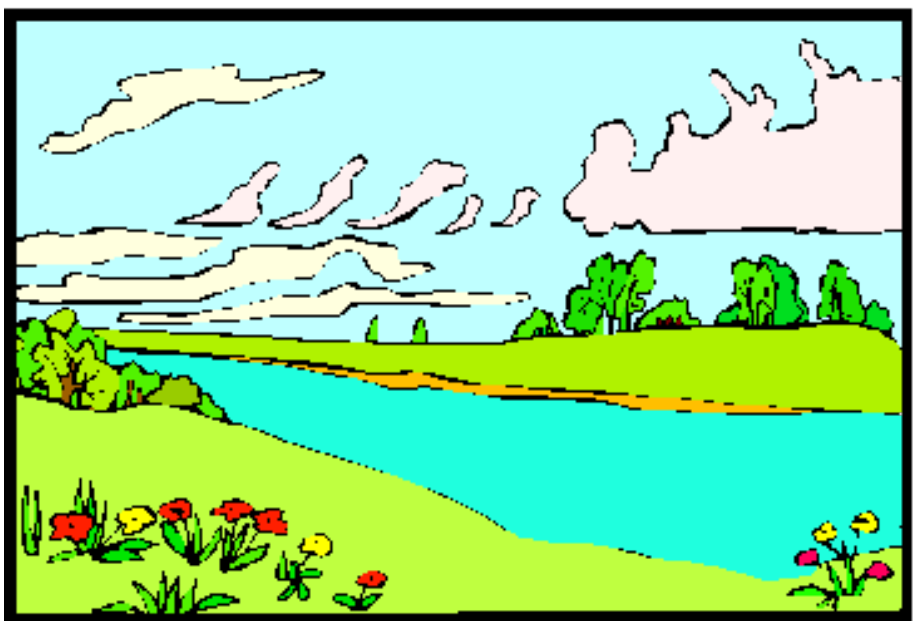
They walk past the sheep pens where sheepdog trials are about to start and join the crowd at the athletics pitch .Men take it in turns to throw **bales of hay** over a net to a cheering crowd . Bagpipe music is being played over the tannoy as they get to the athletics area they hear a loud cry from behind the sheep pens .

SAM PARKHILL I must investigate for the local paper .

Sam walks away to the sheep pension and get to the picket fences just as an announcement says from the tannoy speaker attached to a signpost that  sheepdogs trials are  postponed . SAM continues around the sheep pens which has been cordoned off and introduceS himself to RAMSEY, head of the highland games committee .

RAMSEY  We've found a dead body , at the back of the field, it's so disfigured we don't know how long it's been lying there .

MAJOR COWLEY  That sounds like what's happened up at the Castle, RAMSEY,  I'll phone Basil .



Back at the castle, an army truck drives over the moat and into the courtyard , parking in an alcove , a group of men in green combat trousers green and woolie jumpers clamber out the back of the truck and walk over and into the black and white tiled entrance hall and are greeted by MACREA near the welsh dresser, containing plates and cups , near the main hall .

MACREA  Ah you must be ZEBRA SQUAD .

CAPTAIN CHAMBERS  First show me the body you've reported

mMACREA  Michael can you take CAPTAIN

CHAMBERS down to the back and show them the body. MICHAEL shows the men through black velvet drapes and down sandstone steps past a roaring fire in a central column to a medical table where the body is under a tarpaulin.
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS i want to get this corpse to the hospital for a post mortem examination .
MICHAEL SULLIVAN The postmortem examination should be interesting but I witness reports say this is the Vanguard of an alien invasion precipitated by our contacts with KALDOR .
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS i WON'T KNOW TILL THE POST MORTEM, BUT YOUR LINKING THE TIDAL WAVE ,SOME UNEXPLAINED PHENOMENON WITH THE DEATH OF THIS GIRL ?
MICHAEL SULLIVAN Add to that that she's wearing the dress of someone FIONA has dropped off at EDINBURGH train station for a train to LONDON .
JEROMY FITZOLIVER KALDOR says that they tracked our communications from high orbit .
ELGIN i'D JUST STARTED NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE KALDOR COMMITTEE ,
THE ZEBRA SQUAD Soldiers carry the corpse up the side ramp next to the sandstone stairs and through black velvet drapes to the main entrance on a stretcher out the front entrance into the white van when .

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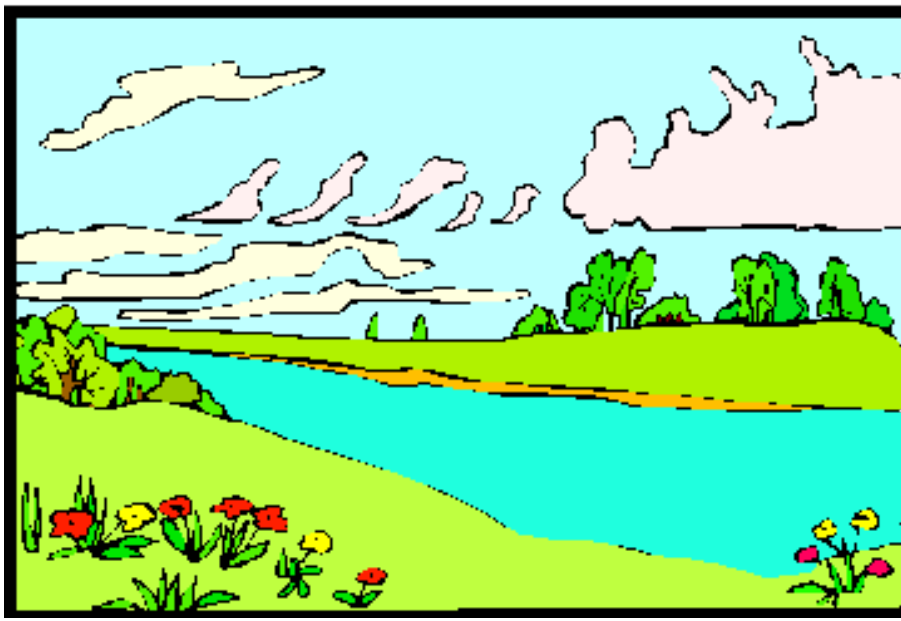
Fiona Plumpton drives over the moat and into the courtyard And parks up opposite the main doors pressing her ID into the intercom Then straight in past the Wedgewood vase , and

over the black and white tiled entrance ,then into the oak paneled main hall and sits next to a grandfather clock, as MARGARET pushes a trolly around a glass oblong table with pastries and early gray tea.
MARGARET Glad you're back Fiona, the master is in the basement with the soldiers .
FIONA PLUMPTON Pull aside the net curtains and i'll have a croissant and tea.
MARGARET If that was Miss goodbody we found face down in the water ,who did you drop off at the train station ?
FIONA PLUMPTON Her manner was unusual .
MACREA and CAPTAIN CHAMBERS come in and sit down opposite display cases affixed to the oak paneled back wall, while soldiers carry the body on a stretcher over the entrance hall .
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Then I must speak to whoever you chauffeured to the train station .
MACREA walks over o the security office Where his nice, ANN, is at a communications console telling parents they'll be delayed back to NEWTOWN ,and might miss the new term at CARDINAL WOLSEY'S school .
MACEA ANN would you let the rest of our chameleon guests leave for there holiday .
Bertrand HOPKINS I'll call our coach to take you back to Newtown with my juniors .
STRINGFELLOW We'd be happy to be dropped off with them .
Bertrand HOPKINS They have an early morning shift tomorrow at UNCLE WINKEYS CAKE AND CONFECTION FACTORY, situated on the hill in the suburbs of NEWTOWN .
STANLEY RATCHET Yes i work there at the weekends .
MACREA She registered for her holiday in JAMAICA, with my new travel firm CAMELEON TOURS and gave this address in LONDON .
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS I'll send Major Barklette to her address in London , and I'll take silver spa squadron to

investigate this death at the highland games, you say there was an unusual green sphere in the moat at the time of the first murder .
BASIL gets a cALL from Major Cowley that ANOTHER body has been found at the Highland Games .
BASIL It seems Major Cowley and SAM PARKHILL are at the highland games and have found a dead body similar to that poor girl downstairs .
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Investigate and report back ,Get in the van men we're going over to the highland games .
The army soldiers get in the van and SARGANT PALMER drives out the courtyard and over the moat, then turns into a perimeter road running around the lakeside .



Over on the west side of the Lake the crowd is dispersed from the Highland Games as a body has been found at the back of the sheep pens when ZEBRA SQUAD arrive and the men clamber out and line up on the top of the slope overlooking LOCK LOMOND .

CHAMBERS issues WALKIE-TALKIES .

CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Fan out around the perimeter, check the woodlands at the back of the field near the sheep pens and report back to me and MAJOR JAMES .

SAM PARKHILL you arrive just in time, the body is emaciated like that poor girl you found at the castle.

CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Put the mockers on the Highland Games did it major ?

SAM ROGERS We found the ID on the body .

Major Cowley Well they don't brew the finest soups in the Highlands for nothing.

Captain chambers men are reporting in and he gets a call on his walkie Talkie .

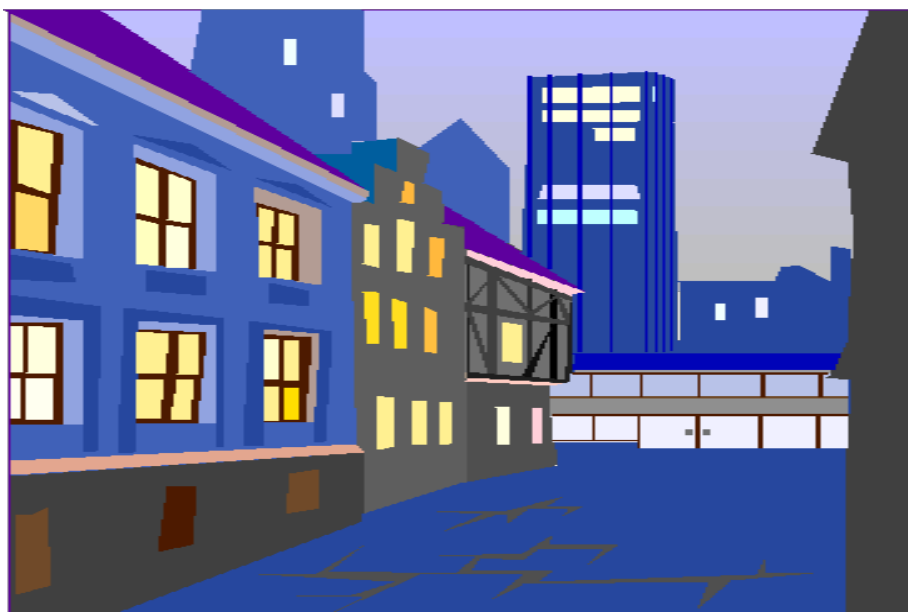
PRIVATE QUILLY There are signs that a RUTON came out of the lake and a trail through the trees towards the

sheep pens .
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Guard the body till BETA SQUAD arrives and we'll get both bodies for autopsy, and i'll take ZEBRA SQUAD to the address on ROGER PRICE'S licence . Zebra squad clamber in the van and MAJOR JAMES drives over top field onto the highways and then towards INVERNESS.

IN THE SUBURBS OF INVERNESS Roger Price has reached the front entrance of his residency on a social housing project called RED VIEW ESTATE , .his neighbor is waiting for him.
DOOGLE MACTAVISH DID YOU ENJOY THE HIGHLAND GAMES ?
ROGER PRICE I had a go at throwing hay over the net but I'm not a farmer man .
hE walks to the dark blue and pink entrance corridor to the red and white elevator and presses for the 10th floor and goes to the flat .
Roger Price When re the rest of the lads coming Doogle .
Jack McTavish Did you get any haggis from the Highland Games Roger .
ROGER PRICE Couldn't catch any , i'LL JUST POWDER MY NOSE AND I'LL PLAY YOU AT DOMINOS .
He shuts the door of the bathroom and puts a RUTAN escape pod in the bath then walks into the living room, where DOOGLE is sitting on a chrome and wicker chair at a green baize collapsible games table, with a set of DOMINOS .

ROGER sits on his chrome and wicker chair and starts arranging his DOMINOS, as DOOGLE gets up and pads to the bathroom to freshen up after participating in HIGHLAND GAMES, on the shores of LOCH LOMOND . He turns on a hot tap and immediately an Arc of electricity lashes out pinning him to the bathroom floor and a GIANT SQUID CREATURE flows over his body .

ROGER PRICE The rest of the lads will be here soon and then we're heading into town .
You alright in there DOOGLE.



Zebra squad park at the front entrance of RED VIEW ESTATE and the soldiers clamber out the back of the van and line up below a balcony into front of the safety glass .

CHAMBERS and MAJOR JAMES clamber out of the cab.

CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Let's get up to the flat and check on ROGER PRICE and then back to Barracks ,

PRIVATE PARKS Let's hope this doesn't become a full-term epidemic.

ZEBRA SQUAD walk down the blue and pink corridor to the red and white lift of the RED VIEW housing project and reach PRICE'S flat as the sun sets through the high window they reach the bathroom and find the body of JACK MCTAVISH

and three other young people .

CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Smyths inform HQ that we're going to be in Inverness longer than expected ,and I'm going to need a meat wagon take these bodies to the hospital .
PRIVATE PARKS I want to get this small capsules back to the lab for analysis, SaRG , it could be the breeding unit from where the Ruton came from .
They leave the flat and go back down to the van
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS I'm leaving you in charge until the ambulance arrives get samples of residue and clean the bathroom I'm going to take the rest of the lads home . He opens the boot and gives sam a bottle **of FLASH SUGARPLUM ANTIBACTERIA**
Zebra squad get back in the van and CAPTAIN CHAMBERS phones Sam parkhill .
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Sam just to let you know the aliens have struck again they taken the form of 3 young people and by now they could be anywhere .
SAM PARKHILL I've already said I won't publish this until you give me clearance captain .
CAPTAIN CHAMBERS Under the emergency powers act I could now quarantine the whole of Inverness but I would have to ask my head of department .
He guns the engine and takes the highway towards EDINBOROUGH.
ELSEWHERE A female doppelganger that looks like RACHAEL GOODBODY is on the train to London with a large suitcase reading HUMAN SOCIETY FOR BEGINNERS .she changes at Paddington and takes the underground to Oxford Street emerging into the afternoon sunshine mingling and blending into the flavor of the community of London shoppings , then to her apartment in a SOHO side street.
That evening young Jonathan is walking down Rupert Street when a young girl comes out of a green door swinging her handbag in a green minidress .
JONATHAN Are you free tonight?
CHANTELL GOODBODY No but I am reasonable Like this handbag from Matalan and that SUSHI BAR .

She shows Jonathan the price tag on the handbag , you want some SUSHI ?It's warm back at mine and no rush.

They go up a flight of steps adorned with prints of variety artists from touring theatres and into a flat and JON IS LEFT on stool while CHANTELL GOODBODY goes into a box room.

CHANTEL You can freshman up in the bath room and then i'll be with you in a minute .

He enters and steps up to the basin then turns on the tap and turns around. A powerful arc of electricity shoots out and he collapses into the bath .

Back in the street outside MAJOR BARKLETTE and CORPORAL GREEN pull up in there staff car and ring the door bell of the flat next door .They gain entry, to find the flat empty save for breeding unit and evidence of many RUTON hatchlings in the bathroom .

MAJOR BARKLETTE we must find MISS GOODBODY Corporal.

CORPERAL GREEN She's reported to be a nurse at ST THOMAS'S HOSPITAL .

MAJOR BARKLETTE THAT'S AT WATERLOO.

CORPORAL GREEN I'll radio ahead to get a warrant for Miss Goodbodies arrest .

They step down past prints of variety artists from touring theatres long red vynl silk walls and into the afternoon sunshine with people passing them on there way to HYDE PARK ,and they clamber into there army jeep and enter the mid morning traffic to MARBLE ARCH and then take hyde park towards CHELSEA BARRACKS .

They take a left at Chelsea Barracks and then into Battersea Power Station where warrant officer Clarke is outside the HQ . They then reverse and drive along a loose gravel road into BATTERSEA and across CHELSEA BRIDGE right at a roundabout and past ST JAMES'S through Parliament Square and up the Strand towards Waterloo .BARKLETTE drives over WATERLOO BRIDGE and takes a right into the hospital car park, they clamber out of there army jeep and into ST THOMAS'S HOSPITAL and are directed to a security office .

Miss Goodbody is on the wards giving bed baths as the two offices enter.

CAPTAIN GREEN Rachel Goodbody .

RACHEL GOODBODY Yeah that's me what's it to you.

MAJOR BARKLETTE There's been a death at the McCrea Castle and the body looks like you and was carrying some of your personal items .

RACHEL GOODBODY Yes well as you know officer I left there in a hurry because I was feeling unwell and I may have left some personal items behind .

MAJOR BARKLETTE You have to come and help us with our enquiries .

RACHEL GOODBODY And you suspect me do you officer , I'm a nurse and I just felt ill and had to come home .

CAPTAIN GREEN Never the less you'll have to come with us , as we've just come from your apartment in SOHO, and frankly it's disgraceful .

They take CHANTEL GOODBODY out of the hospital and into their staff car back along Westminster Bridge Parliament Square and towards Battersea Power Station where they disembark bring CHANTELL to an interview room .

CAPTAIN GREEN I'll make the teas major do you taken sugar Rachel GOODBODY

CHANTELL Yes please captain .

MAJOR BARKLETTE Don't worry yourself Rachel we just have to carry out some tests and then you can go home .

A RUTAN CHANGLING wearing Jeans and tea shirt comes out of an apartment opposite RACHEL GOODBODY'S and walks through the afternoon traffic through oxford st, stopping to purchase plastic containers from WILCO. as he reaches COVENT GDN he walks down to the basement of the INFERNO NIGHTCLUB and lets himself in.

He walks past the empty dance floor to the offices behind the bar where SHARON OSGOOD barmaid is changing pumps.

SHARON OSGOOD Are you ready to tackle the hordes of customers tonight then JON

JON Yes if you can just check the wash rooms before i open up Sharon .She goes into he

wash room and turns on a tap. an arc of electricity flys out and pins her to the basin and a Ruton crawls over her .

JON Well done Sharon.

Jon takes the plastic containers into the changing rooms and sets up breeding units filling them with protein rich nutrients.

JON The RUTAN shall breed and multiply from THE INFERNO CLUB.

Later on…….There's a long line of Revelers outside the INFERNO CLUB and the alcove seats and dance floor are filling up when Jon invites a victim into the changing rooms we're a RUTON is waiting to kill and take on human form.

RUTON HYBREADS, looking like there human victims, soon become staff and customers mingling with dancing Revellers enticing them into the back as fast as the breeding units can make another fully developed RUTAN .

JESSICA RAMPLING is enjoying the festivities when her friend taps her on the shoulder saying [where's MATTHEW

JESSICA RAMPLING He wanted another head on his pint of best and should be at the bar [he's driving us home JESSICA can you check .]

She leaves her alcove seats and walks across the dance floor gives a nod to the barman and opens the office door. All the patrons stop as a loud scream can be heard from behind and JESSICA runs over the dance floor .

John rushes over and closes the door just as RUTAN HYBREADS leave the nightclub to start taking over human society .